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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Tatsuhiko IKUTA

Serial No. 09/767,721

Group Art Unit: 3624

Confirmation No. 3663

Filed: January 24, 2001

Examiner: James M. Alpert

For: ACCOUNTING SYSTEM, ACCOUNTING METHOD, CONTENT EXECUTING DEVICE,
ACCOUNTING MONITORING DEVICE, ACCOUNTING CONTROL DEVICE AND
RECORDING MEDIUM

COMMUNICATION TO EXAMINER

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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Sir:

In a telephone call received on or about March 16, 2005 from Examiner James Alpert, questioning the word "properlity" appearing throughout the specification and claims, Applicants responded by an email of March 17, 2005, explaining the correct word is --propriety--. A copy of the March 17, 2005 email is enclosed.

It is understood that the clarification provided by the undersigned counsel to the Examiner was timely and, since filed before the mailing date of the present action of March 22, 2005, renders the objections to claims 1 and 2 moot. Confirmation thereof would be appreciated.

Applicant furthermore filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated March 12, 2004, likewise prior to the mailing date of the outstanding action of March 22, 2005; a copy of the Form PTO-1449 and the USPTO receipt postcard acknowledging receipt of same are enclosed.

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Since the IDS was filed before the issuance of the Office Action, it is requested that the Examiner provide a Supplemental Office Action addressing the references and, further, confirming consideration of same by returning an executed copy of the Form PTO- 1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Examiner Alpert,

The correct word is --propriety--. We noted that the incorrect word "properity" is used throughout the specification and claims. Would you prefer that we prepare an amended specification with amended claims and Abstract to make the correction on a global basis?

Could you do so conveninetly on your PTO e-copy of the case?

Please let me know.

Best regards,

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